

1904 I find that about 45 colleges and prep schools reported games each week. I doubt if there were 240 organized football teams.

The final report for that season was that seven were killed and about 112 injured (class of injuries not stated).

On Nov. 1, 1914, I find in newspapers from five cities the scores of games played by 84 of the larger colleges and by 212 minor colleges and preparatory schools. I glean from these same five papers scores showing 148 high school, grammar school and independent teams. In Chicago alone on November 1 there were reports of more than 40 prairie games and nearly as many on the Sunday following. It would not be surprising if, on November 1, there were played in the United States fully 1,800 games of football by regularly organized teams.

That would mean that nearly 50,000 boys, representing schools, colleges, high schools, preparatory schools and athletic clubs were actively engaged in the sport, which probably was five times the number that were playing it ten years ago.

In reports of forty-two games played by representative colleges not one serious injury is mentioned.

Discussing the question of injuries, it would seem that the rules should be made stricter in two respects. Penalties for "piling" after a down might cure that prolific source of injuries.

The second cause of injuries appears to be from runners who are not actually engaged in advancing the ball. The effort to make interference milder appears of little avail. If runners are out to protect the man with the ball, they practically are out to hurt some one.

The few injuries from actual tackling indicate that open-field tackling is not nearly so dangerous as it was feared it would be with the more open style of play.

A WISE PUP

AHA-HA - BOYS
PLAYING MARBLES!



HEY,
WHATTA
NOIVE!



AW-HAVE A HEART,
BOYS - I WAS ONLY
PLAYING!



There is nothing better to remove tar from white clothing than lard. Rub it well into the spot and then wash it out with soap and warm water.